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25X1¹. a. Infantry officer candidates of the Kossuth Academy were trained in the Gyoergy Dozsa Barracks (formerly Albrecht B arracks) on Arena Street, corner of Gyoergy Dozsa Street, BUDAPEST. Artillery and tank officer candidates of the academy were trained in the Aron Gabor Barracks (formerly Andragss B arracks) at 9 H.ungaria Ring, BUDAPEST. It was believed that signal officer candidates were also trained in the Gyoergy Dozsa B arracks.

b. The training of officer candidates for AA units was conducted outside of BUDAPEST.

c. The officer candidates were organized into one infantry and one artillery regiment. The method of tank training for academy students was unknown.

d. Due to the shortage of officers, the academy training was shortened to one year instead of the three years originally scheduled. However, the training schedule provided for one year of preparatory training with troop units.

2. Another course at the academy encompassed politically reliable men who underwent field officer training during a six-month rapid training period. The first course of this type was completed in May 1949. One course consisted of 80 to 100 proven Communists who, upon graduation, were assigned to troop units as majors and, in exceptional cases, as lieutenant colonels and colonels.

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3. Another course of the academy trained politically reliable company commanders. It was conducted parallel to the field officer course and had about 100 students.
4. A political re-education course for 50 to 60 officers of the former Hungarian Army was held in April 1949. The students of this course wore civilian clothes.
5. Prospective officer candidates to be enrolled at the Kossuth Academy underwent preparatory training with troop units in the following camps:

VARPALOTA (P 48/D 89) : Training of motorized rifle troops with a training unit in strength of one regiment, according to a soldier.

ESZTERGOM (Q 48/Z 27) : Training of tank troops.

PILISCSENTA (Q 48/H 34) : Training of infantry and SP artillery troops; with the infantry training unit estimated at one battalion.

PILISCSENTA-SOUTH (Q 48/H 34) : One motorized rifle battalion with which no heavy weapons were observed.

HAROSSZIGET (Q 48/H 51) : Training of engineer troops.

OBUDA (BUDAPEST) : Preparatory training with a river patrol unit.

TOLNA (Y 5/W 10) : Artillery training with 76.2-mm guns, the forthcoming issue of 122-mm guns had been announced.

25X1 Comment:

On the whole, the data on the Kossuth Academy agree with previous information. The camps (para 5), in which prospective officer candidates to be enrolled at the Kossuth Academy were trained, are known as permanent posts of Hungarian troop units.

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